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Borough of Eccles.

Seventh Annual Report of the Public Libraries Committee.

IN submitting the Seventh Annual Report, the Committee are pleased to record the fact that the libraries have maintained their popularity and usefulness. The public have exhibited a much more active interest in the welfare and progress of the institution, as well as a keener appreciation of the advantages now afforded by it. The Library may justly be considered a branch of the educational activities of the Borough.

The success of the Library is not to be measured by the aggregate number of volumes possessed, but by the use to which they are put. To say merely that Eccles possesses one Central Library and Two Delivery Branches gives no adequate idea of the influence of these institutions upon local life. But when the statistics of readers and issues are produced, it is possible to estimate the real power exercised by the Libraries. Few people have any conception of the amount of work done by the Public Libraries. It is calculated that during the year under review the individual Library services rendered, reach the huge total of 786,141. And for these services the rates provide the sum of £691, which works out at less than one farthing per service per annum. An amount totally inadequate. The work of the Libraries goes on increasing year by year, which is a clear token of public appreciation, and financial provisions are necessary to meet these growing public obligations. It is very apparent that the Acts under which the Library is established are over loaded with powers to perform public educational work which cannot, by any possibility, be satisfactorily carried out with the limited funds which the Acts allow for the purpose, development is almost impossible. Recent returns show that already 42 library authorities have found it necessary to secure special legislation in order to increase their revenues.

Although the actual number of books issued shows a slight decrease, as compared with the preceding year, probably due to the exceptionally fine summer and the Coronation Festivities intervening, the number of individual users of the Library has considerably increased.

Many administrative improvements introduced during the year have been received with much interest and approval on the part of the public, as will be seen by a perusal of this report. The routine work of the Library has proceeded throughout the year in the smoothest possible way.

Library Stock.

The number of books contained in the Library is as follows:

In the Lending Department.

A.	Sciences	328
B.	Useful Arts	202
C.	Fine and Recreative Arts	234
D.	Social and Political Science	247
E.	Philosophy and Religion	408
F.	History and Geography	811
G.	Biography and Correspondence	641
H.	Language and Literature	196
J.	Poetry and Drama	448
K.	Prose Fiction...	2501
L.	Miscellaneous...	373
		6389

In the Reference Department.

A.	Sciences	83
B.	Useful Arts	217
C.	Fine and Recreative Arts	69
D.	Social and Political Science	230
E.	Philosophy and Religion	26
F.	History and Geography	486
G.	Biography and Correspondence	68
H.	Language and Literature	131
J.	Poetry and Drama	23
L.	Miscellaneous...	352
		1685

a total of 8,074 volumes. The additions during the year number 1,132 volumes, and are in the following subjects, viz:—Science, 26 volumes; Useful Arts, 22; Fine Arts, 56; Social Science, 122; Religion and Philosophy, 28; History, 229; Biography, 115; Language and Literature, 64; Poetry and the Drama, 17; Fiction, 378; and General Literature, 75; total 1,132 volumes.

Much care and attention has been given to the selection of new books, the Committee always keeping before them the requirements of students and the demand of the community for the means of self-improvement. It is their object to make it possible for the poorest to obtain the best books, and to make the Library a real school of self-help. Suggestions from readers, with regard to new books, which they would like to see added to the library, are welcomed and always receive careful consideration.

The heavy circulation of the books inevitably involves considerable wear and tear. In order to maintain the satisfactory condition of the books, the work of examining the stock is constantly in progress. The expenditure on re-binding, repairs, and the replacement of worn out books necessitated as the work of the library proceeds, is an item that will demand additional provision year by year. It is a matter for regret to observe the increased use that is now being made of very inferior printing papers in the making up of new books, and the very unservicable methods of casing new books. Special attention has been given to this work. During the year 159 volumes have been re-bound, 1,596 have been repaired and re-cased, and 832 books lettered and numbered. The stock is in good condition, the books being generally carefully used by readers.

Issues.

The total issue for the year 1911-12 were made up as follows:

Reference Library	31,767
Central Lending Library	56,995
Peel Green Branch	2,787
Winton Branch	3,336
Total ...	94,885

This compares very favourably with the previous year, viz:—100,372. It will be seen on examination of the statistics appended that during the months May—September the issues were much below the average, evidently due to the exceptionally fine summer, but from October—March a notable increase is recorded.

The most satisfactory feature about the issues is the continued improvement in the educational character of the books read, with a corresponding decrease in the percentage of Fiction. There is a distinct and steady growth in the circulation of works of a non-

fiction character. The actual number of non-fiction works used during the year was 51,833, as compared with 55,777 in 1910-11.

The number of books consulted since the establishment of the Libraries in 1905, has now reached the total of 454,903.

Borrowers' Cards.

The number of Borrowers on the register of the Lending Libraries at the 31st March, 1912, was 2620, an increase of 219 over the previous year. A number of supplementary tickets, available for non-fictional works, have been issued to readers.

There is a total absence of red tape in the issue of tickets. Alterations have been made in the Rules and Regulations, with a view to removing, as far as possible, all unnecessary restrictions.

A classification of the addresses, and occupations of borrowers will be found on page 20, from which it will be seen that the Library is well used by persons residing in all parts of the Borough. The occupations of borrowers reach a total of 230. It would be difficult to mention any occupation or profession which is not included, proving beyond doubt, that all classes avail themselves in one way or another, of the facilities offered.

Overdue Books.

The number of Postal Notices sent to readers who had retained their books beyond the time specified in the Rules and Regulations was 1225. As a rule, borrowers are prompt in responding to these notices, requesting the return of the books. However as usual a number of cases had to be personally investigated, but the books were all ultimately recovered.

The amount received in fines was £22 19s. 5d.

Readers who are unable to get to the Library on the day on which their book is due to be returned, may avoid fines by forwarding to the Librarian a post card, requesting the renewal of the book for a further period.

Reference Library.

The work of this department has again been one of steady progress and efficient service. It gives the Committee the greatest satisfaction to see the large number of students who avail themselves of the opportunity of the unrestricted use of a valuable Reference Library. This department has become a public study,

representatives of every class find their way hither in search of much needed information not otherwise so easily accessible. It is difficult to summarise the advantages which may be reaped with such facilities as a thoroughly equipped Reference Library affords. A good reference library is the most important side of the educational work of a public library. The Committee would point out, however, that anything like a complete collection of the necessary books is to be acquired only by years of careful attention and gradual accumulation. Many very important and very expensive volumes are still required for this department. The Committee sincerely regret that they are unable to provide all these books immediately, but will do so as the funds at their disposal permit. To-day there are more students than ever there were before, and the demand for books of reference is necessarily large. Many students have no opportunity of obtaining these books and would have to go without the knowledge contained therein if they could not use them in the public library.

Local Collection.

It is hardly necessary to emphasize the very great importance of preserving all local records, etc., such records should be accessible to the public, under proper safeguards, and the Public Library is undoubtedly the best centre in which to store and exhibit them. It is not the desire of the Committee that this collection should be fostered at the expense of the general work of the Library, but rather to trust to the generosity of ladies and gentlemen and the friendly co-operation of local photographic and other societies, to make gifts to this section. Gifts of books, maps, pamphlets, photographs, prints, or other matter relating to the district will be most gratefully received.

Reading Rooms.

The number of persons visiting the Reading Rooms is counted hourly. The result gives an aggregate attendance of 172,811 as compared with 150,097 last year. From careful and frequent observation it is noticed that each person remains in the room for 15 minutes (average). In this way it is estimated that 691,256 people used this department during the year. By this enormous use the accomodation of the rooms are often taxed to their utmost limit.

There is no question as to the popularity of these rooms. This increase has been continuous for seven years. On the whole the

conduct of the readers is satisfactory. Every effort is made to make the list of periodicals as generally useful as possible. It is noticed that the technical journals are particularly well used.

Lectures.

The series of free public lectures were continued during the winter 1911-12. Four lectures were arranged as follows:—

"Six Centuries of Pictures" ..... Mr. B. D. Taylor.

"Some advantages and shortcomings of recent changes in the Criminal Laws, as they affect young people"
Mr. C. E. B. Russell, M.A.

"The Violoncello Music of the Great Composers"
Mr. James Richardson.

"Macbeth," a Study in Temptation..... Dr. E. Somers, J.P.

The attendances have been good and very appreciative. The many very excellent lectures which the Committee have arranged from time to time, and for which there is such evident need, are only made possible through the public spirit so generously displayed by the gentlemen who delivered them. Without the voluntary assistance of these lecturers the scheme could not be carried forward. In recognising the services of these gentlemen the Committee return their heartiest thanks. The free lecture given in connection with the use of a good library, seems to be the ideal university of the people.

Donations.

Several donations of books, pamphlets, &c., have been received during the year, and the thanks of the Committee have been duly tendered in each case to the donors, particulars of which have been reported to the Council. A full list of the donors will be found on page 13. It is earnestly hoped that the library will continue to receive further gifts during the coming year.

Delivery Branches.

These Branches have again been well used. During the year 2787 books have been issued from the Peel Green Branch and 3336 volumes from the Winton Branch. This convenience of being able to obtain and exchange books in the immediate neighbourhood of their homes is greatly esteemed by the residents in the Peel Green and Winton districts. When funds are available the needs of the Monton district will have to receive consideration.

Reading Lists.

From time to time Reading Lists of books in the Libraries dealing with special subjects have been prepared and circulated, the following are some of the subjects, viz: Home Rule, Free Trade, Social Economics, Music, National Insurance, Books for Sunday School Teachers, Charles Dickens, &c. The readers have frequently expressed their appreciation of this method of bringing the resources of the Library on current topics under their notice.

Rules and Regulations.

A thorough revision of the Rules and Regulations of the Library was undertaken during the year. It was felt that much of the success of the institution depends on the rules and regulations adopted for its conduct and management. Certain of the Rules which were drafted at the commencement, required modification. The regulations have been adopted with a view to protect the common proprietary rights, without penalizing any section of the community. The entire absence of red tape and unnecessary restrictions will add considerably to the Library's popularity.

Holiday Information.

The collection of holiday literature brought together and placed at the disposal of the public in the Reference Library, during the summer months, was again found to be valuable, and was in constant use during the holiday season.

Obituary.

The Committee record the deep sense of the loss which they have sustained by the death of Alderman Wilkinson, J.P. From the the opening of the Library he took a kindly interest in the working of the institution, and was always a generous donor. The late Alderman Wilkinson's long and valued interest in the affairs of the Library and of the town generally was acknowledged by special resolution embodied in the minutes of the Council.

Extension of the Library.

The Committee have had placed before them a scheme for the proposed extension of the Library Building, by which it is intended to provide a much larger Reference Room, Reading Room, and accommodation for a much needed Children's Department, together

with a commodious Lecture Hall. At the time of writing the plans and the best means of accomplishing this end are still under consideration.

Owing to the growth of the work of the institution it has been found desirable to make certain alterations in the hours and duties of the staff, which it is believed will make for greater efficiency.

The Committee have pleasure in recording their appreciation of the efficient and painstaking service which has been rendered throughout the year by the Staff, all of whom have fulfilled their respective duties to the entire satisfaction of the public and the Committee.

Full statistical details of the work of the Library throughout the year will be found in the accompaning tables.

W. SCOTT FORBES, *Chairman.*
ARTHUR FARNIE, *Vice-Chairman.*
CHAS. J. MELLOR, *Borough Librarian.*

Donors of Books Pamphlets, &c., to the Public Library, year ended 31st March, 1912.

Alexander, Mr. W. T., J.P. 20 Volumes.
Bradshaw, Mr. C., J.P. 2 Volumes.
Controller, H.M. Stationery Office. 54 Volumes.
Cottrell, Mr. C. C. 1 Volume.
Cremer, Rev. F. D. 1 Volume.
Eccles Choral Society. 46 Volumes.
Eckersley, Mr. J. 2 Volumes.
Goodall, Mrs. 4 Volumes.
Grindle, Councillor, J.P. 1 Volume.
Heaton, Miss 11 Volumes.
Irish Press Agency, London. 5 Volumes.
Irish Unionist Alliance, Dublin. 4 Volumes.
Liberal Unionist Council. 3 Volumes.
Library Reports:—Aberdeen, Accrington, Ashton-in-Makerfield, Ashton-under-Lyne, Aston Manor, Barnsley, Batley, Battersea, Birmingham, Blackburn, Bootle, Bournemouth, Brighton, Bristol, Bury, Cambridge, Cambridge University Library, Cardiff, Chorley, Colchester, Croydon, Doncaster, Dundee, Fulham, Gloucester, Great Yarmouth, Haslingden, Hornsey, Hove, Huddersfield, Hyde, Kettering, Kilburn, Kingston-upon-Thames, Leeds, Leicester, Leigh, Newton-in-Makerfield, Norwich, Nottingham, Paisley, Perth, Preston, Rawtenstall, Richmond, Runcorn, Salford, Shoreditch, St. Annes-on-Sea, St. Louis, U.S.A., Stockport, Toronto, (Canada), Twickenham, Walthamstow, Warrington, Waterloo-with-Seaforth, West Bromwich, Widnes, Willesden, Workington.
Mort, Miss. 6 Volumes.
Mullen, Dr. J. W. 14 Volumes.
Paton, J. & J. 1 Volume.
Pollard, Sir G. H., M.P. 2 Volumes.
Rawson, Miss. 186 Volumes.
Registrar, University of Liverpool. 1 Volume.
Secretary, Christian Science Reading Room. 1 Volume.
Secretary, Education Committee. 1 Volume.
Secretary, Trinity College of Music. 1 Volume.
Society of Incorporated Accountants and Auditors. 1 Volume.
Stubbs' Publishing Co. 1 Volume.
Thomas, Miss. 57 Volumes.
Trustees, British Museum. 2 Volumes.

Donations.	Newspapers and Periodicals.
Blackpool Corporation	Blackpool Gazette News, Blackpool Herald, and Blackpool Times.
Baines, Miss.	The Vote.
Catholic Federation, Eccles Branch	Federationist.
Cook, Messrs. T. & Sons.	Travellers' Gazette
Independent Labour Party.	Socialist Review.
Morris, Mrs.	Votes for Women.
Potts, Miss S.	Common Cause.
Pritchard, Mr. H. L.	Autocar, Irish Cyclist, Motor-car Journal, Motor News, and Motoring Illustrated.
The Secretary to the Eccles Co-operative Society's Education Committee.	The Co-operative News.
Social Democratic Federation.	Justice.

The Publishers of the following Papers—

Agricultural Economist.	Harvest.
Alliance News.	Herald of Health.
Animal's Friend.	Incorporated Accountants' Journal.
Arbitrator.	India.
Art Needlework.	Investors' Summary.
Bournemouth Visitors Directory.	Insurance Agents' Journal
British Architect.	Liberal Monthly.
British Columbia Magazine.	Literary Guide.
British Journal of Photography.	Local Government Chronicle.
Canadian Mail.	Local Government Journal.
Catholic Herald.	L.G.O., The Surveying and Housing World.
Child's Companion.	Model Engineer.
Christian.	Monthly Notes on Tariff Reform.
Christian Science Sentinel.	Musical Herald.
Church Missionary Gleaner.	Nation in Arms.
Civil Service Gazette.	National Church.
Civil Service Hints.	National Temperance Quarterly.
Clarion.	Patents Illustrated Official Journal.
Clark's Weekly.	Patents.
Colliery Guardian.	Photography and Focus.
Concord.	Positivist Review.
Conservative and Unionist.	Practical Engineer.
Contractors' Record.	School Guardian.
Decorator.	Textile Mercury.
Education.	Textile Recorder.
English Churchman.	Vegetarian Messenger.
Free Trader.	Zoophilist.
Great Western Railway Magazine.	

TABLE I.—LENDING DEPARTMENTS.

Monthly Issue in each Class. No. of days the Library was open. Total Volumes issued and daily average.

1911 Month.	A Sciences.	B Useful Arts.	C Fine and Recreative Arts.	D Social and Political Science.	E Philosophy and Religion.	F History and Geography.	G Biography & Correspondence.	H Language and Literature.	J Poetry and the Drama.	K Fiction.	L Miscellaneous.	Total Vols. issued.	Days Open.	Daily Average.
April	141	142	111	93	122	210	154	108	125	3335	123	4664	19	246
May	161	172	132	105	135	239	167	111	133	3421	117	4893	23	213
June	134	116	140	93	116	177	133	105	108	2952	119	4193	18	233
July	126	143	138	113	151	217	152	102	138	3078	121	4479	22	204
August	139	133	127	129	146	212	153	115	143	3135	136	4568	21	218
September	161	169	158	134	140	194	161	121	128	3420	121	4907	22	223
October	223	218	210	207	215	276	229	170	197	3669	172	5786	22	263
November	195	170	192	167	171	252	221	162	177	3744	151	5602	21	267
December	176	182	199	168	222	255	227	169	164	3699	136	5597	20	280
1912														
January	175	197	203	182	196	276	256	169	155	4180	133	6122	22	278
February	156	183	171	145	164	246	244	153	134	3939	131	5666	20	283
March	205	192	222	198	204	308	287	194	176	4480	175	6641	22	302
Total	1992	2017	2003	1734	1982	2862	2384	1679	1778	43052	1635	63118	252	250
Total issue last year	1942	1909	2000	1581	1722	2871	2264	1568	1700	44595	1569	63721	254	251

Thursday 3 hours, Saturday 7 hours counted as one day.

TABLE II.—REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Monthly Issue in each Class. No. of days the Library was open. Total No. of Vols. issued and daily average.

1911. Month.	A Sciences.	B Useful Arts.	C Fine and Recreative Arts.	D Social and Political Science.	E Philosophy and Religion.	F History and Geography.	G Biography & Correspondence.	H Language and Literature.	J Poetry and the Drama.	L Miscellaneous.	Total Vols. issued.	Days Open.	Daily Average.
April	82	101	78	92	87	90	89	53	57	1854	2583	22	117
May	119	132	147	127	110	116	100	75	56	2228	3210	27	119
June	88	83	91	97	72	76	88	69	52	1787	2503	21	119
July	54	46	52	57	60	53	60	59	42	1817	2300	26	89
August	74	63	56	40	43	52	58	57	50	2236	2729	26	105
September	66	95	63	57	73	79	82	83	74	2125	2797	26	108
October	44	68	76	68	110	157	129	161	43	2104	2960	26	114
November	63	66	50	68	58	119	96	97	50	1857	2524	26	97
December	98	84	38	83	112	220	87	246	34	1790	2792	25	112
1912													
January	78	102	52	82	96	182	62	235	44	1560	2493	27	92
February	47	56	63	213	72	122	79	170	44	1575	2441	25	98
March	37	102	45	100	64	141	38	322	31	1555	2435	26	94
Total	850	998	811	1084	957	1407	968	1627	577	22488	31767	303	105
Total issue last year	994	1006	997	1090	1258	1479	1341	1212	1035	26239	36651	305	120

TABLE III.—ISSUES of LENDING and REFERENCE DEPARTMENTS Combined.

Monthly Issue in each Class. No. of days the Library was open. Total Volumes issued and daily average.

1911. Month.	A Sciences.	B Useful Arts.	C Fine and Recreative Arts.	D Social and Political Science.	E Philosophy and Religion.	F History and Geography.	G Biography & Correspondence.	H Language and Literature.	J Poetry and the Drama.	K Ficton.	L Miscellaneous.	Total Vols. issued.	Daily Average.
April	223	243	189	185	209	300	243	161	182	3335	1977	7247	363
May	280	304	279	232	245	355	267	186	189	3421	2345	8103	332
June	222	199	231	190	188	253	221	174	160	2952	1906	6696	352
July	180	189	190	170	211	270	212	161	180	3078	1938	6779	293
August	213	196	183	169	189	264	211	172	193	3135	2372	7297	323
September	227	264	221	191	213	273	243	204	202	3420	2246	7704	331
October	267	286	286	275	325	433	358	331	240	3669	2276	8746	377
November	258	236	242	235	229	371	317	259	227	3744	2008	8126	364
December	274	266	237	251	334	475	314	415	198	3699	1926	8389	392
1912													
January	253	299	255	264	292	458	318	404	199	4180	1693	8615	372
February	203	239	234	358	236	368	323	323	178	3939	1706	8107	381
March	242	294	267	298	268	449	325	516	207	4480	1730	9076	349
Total	2842	3015	2814	2818	2939	4269	3352	3306	2255	43052	24123	94885	355
Total issue last year	2936	2915	2997	2671	2980	4350	3605	2780	2735	44595	27808	100372	371

TABLE IV.

Table shewing Class Issues and Percentages.

Class.	No. of Vols. issued. Lending Departments.	Percent-age.	No. of Vols. issued. Reference Department.	Percent-age.	Total No. of Vols. issued.	Percentage of issue to the whole.
A	1992	3·15	850	2·67	2842	2·99
B	2017	3·19	998	3·14	3015	3·17
C	2003	3·17	811	2·55	2814	2·97
D	1734	2·74	1084	3·41	2818	2·98
E	1982	3·14	957	3·01	2939	3·09
F	2862	4·53	1407	4·42	4269	4·49
G	2384	3·77	968	3·04	3352	3·53
H	1679	2·66	1627	5·12	3306	3·48
J	1778	2·81	577	1·81	2255	2·37
K	43052	68·20	...	...	43052	45·37
L	1635	2·59	22488	70·78	24123	25·42
	63118		31767		94885	

TABLE V.

Showing the progress of the work of the Library.

Year ending 31st March.	No. of Volumes in stock.	Issues.			Reading Rooms.*
		Lending Library.	Reference Library.	Total.	
1906	2436	11690	3145	14835	152192
1907	3275	29828	14241	44069	242256
1908	4241	27960	15550	43510	316332
1909	5707	46796	29935	76731	462976
1910	6192	52852	27549	80401	466892
1911	6942	63721	36651	100372	600388
1912	8074	63118	31567	94685	691256
		295965	158638	454603	2932292

* Estimated from hourly counts.

TABLE VI.

BORROWERS' OCCUPATIONS.

Accountants	15
Agents	29
Analysts	2
Apprentices	58
Architects	2
Art masters	3
Art students	7
Articled clerk	1
Artists	3
Assurance agents	3
Auctioneer	1
Bakers	12
Bank clerks	18
,, manager	1
Barbers	7
Blacksmiths	3
Bleachers	8
Boilermaker	1
Booking clerk	1
Book-keepers	10
Book salesman	1
Bootmakers	4
Borers	12
Box cutter	1
Brass finishers	14
,, moulder	1
Bricklayers	16
Builders	9
Butchers	13
Buyers	12
Cabinet makers	3
Cab driver	1
Caretakers	2
Carters	6
Cashiers	11
Chartered accountants	5
Charwoman	1
Chauffeurs	2
Chemists	8
China dealer	1
Cigar importer	1
Cigarette maker	1
Cinematograph operator	1
Civil engineers	5
Clerks	225
Clerk in holy orders	1
Clothiers	2
Club stewards	3
Coachmen	2
Coal agents	3
Collectors	13
Commercial travellers	31
Compositors	13
Confectioners	18
Consulting engineer	1
Contractors	14
Cooper	1
Corn merchant	1
Correspondents	3
Costumier	1
Cotton manufacturers	2
,, testers	3
Crane driver	1
Dairymen	3
Decorators	10
Dentists	4
Designers	7
Director	1
Dispenser of medicine	1
Divinity student	1
Domestic servants	15
Drapers	17
Draughtsmen	18
Drayman	1
Dressmakers	14
Drillers	3
Drysalters	2
Dyers	7
Electricians	17
Engineers	51
Engine drivers	4
Errand boys	4
Excise officer	1
Farmers	6
Fitters	19
Florist	1
Foremen	13
French polisher	1
Gardeners	2
Gas stoker	1
Gentlemen's outfitters	3
Glazier	1
Glycerine refiner	1
Governesses	7
Greengrocers	2
Grinder	1
Grocers	18
Hairdressers	4
Health officer	1
Hosier	1
Hospital attendants	2
House furnishers	6
Housekeepers	49
Hydraulic engineers	11
Insurance agents	12
,, officials	14
Iron turners	9
Joiners	9
Journalists	7
Labourers	12
Ladies' outfitter	1
,, maids	2
Lamplighter	1
Laundress	1
Leather cutter	1
Librarians	4
Linotype operators	12
Lithographic artists	3
Local govt. official	1
Locomotive firemen	4
Loom overlookers	3
Machine operators	2
Machinists	6
Makers-up	4
Manageresses	2
Managers	10
Mantle cutter	1
Mantle makers	3
Masons	5
Mechanics	28
Medical practitioner	1
,, students	4
Merchants	7
Meter inspectors	2
Mill hands	13
Miller	1
Milliners	14
Ministers	9
Mixer	1

BORROWERS' OCCUPATIONS—*continued.*

Motor mechanic	1	Railway servants	13	Surveyors	8
Moulders	8	Registration agent	1	Tailors	17
Music teachers	6	Restaurant keeper	1	Teachers	124
Musical directors	2	Rubber workers	8	Telegraphists	7
Musicians	6	Saddler	1	Telephone operators	4
Nurses	11	Salesmen	26	Tilers	2
Office boys	16	Saleswomen	17	Timekeepers	2
Oil merchant	1	Sanitary inspectors	5	Tin plate workers	3
Packers	4	Sawyer	1	Toolmakers	2
Painters	8	Scholars	52	Tramways official	1
Paper dealer	1	Schoolmasters	11	Transport worker	1
Pattern makers	7	Schoolmistresses	6	Tripe dressers	3
Pattern card makers	2	Secretaries	9	Typists	30
Pawnbrokers	3	Sewing mistresses	2	Tyremaker	1
Photographers	5	Shipping clerks	5	Vanman	1
Pianoforte tuner	1	,, salesmen	2	Velvet cutter	1
Picture framers	2	Shop assistants	34	Vocalist	1
Piecer	1	Shopkeepers	12	Waitresses	3
Plasterers	2	Shorthand typists	17	Warehousemen	9
Plumbers	5	Silk twister	1	Watchmakers	2
Pointsman	1	Slate merchants	2	Weavers	5
Police constable	1	Soldiers	2	Wheelwright	1
,, pensioner	1	Solicitors	3	Winders	4
Porter	1	Spinners	7	Window cleaners	12
Postal clerks	10	Sorters	3	Wine merchant	1
Postmen	7	Stamper	1	Wireman	1
Postmistresses	3	Stationers	5	Woodworkers	3
Poultry dealer	1	Stenographers	2	Persons giving no occupation	696
Priests	2	Stoker	1		
Printers	9	Storekeepers	4		
Publicans	2	Students	74		
Pupil teachers	20	Surgeons	3	Total	2620

WARDS IN WHICH BORROWERS RESIDE.

Monton Ward	677
Eccles Ward	586
Irwell Ward	329
Patricroft Ward	429
Barton Ward	287
Winton Ward	312
	2620

TABLE VII.

An Account and Classification of Receipts.

Month.	Fines.	Borrowers' Cards.	Old Papers.	Post Cards for Reserving Books.	Damage to Books. Lost Books.	Subscriptions from persons residing outside the Borough.	Total Receipts.
1911	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
April	1 17 3	0 6 2	.....	0 0 3	.....	.....	2 3 8
May	2 3 6	0 8 1	0 3 0	0 0 1	.....	.....	2 14 8
June	2 7 9	0 6 9	0 0 2	0 0 4	.....	.....	2 15 0
July	1 19 6	0 7 0	.....	0 0 4	0 4 0	0 2 6	2 13 4
August	2 1 2	0 6 10	.....	0 0 5	.....	0 2 6	2 10 11
September	1 16 2	0 14 6	.....	0 1 10	0 4 0	.....	2 16 6
October	1 13 8	0 14 6	.....	0 2 6	.....	.....	2 10 8
November	1 14 9	0 12 5	0 7 0	0 1 2	0 7 5	.....	3 2 9
December	1 14 9	0 10 10	0 7 6	0 0 11	.....	.....	2 14 0
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January	2 2 1	0 14 2	3 1 11	0 1 7	.....	.....	5 19 9
February	1 14 1	0 10 9	1 6 4	0 0 10	.....	.....	3 12 0
March	1 14 9	0 10 3	0 1 4	0 1 1	0 4 0	.....	2 11 5
Total	22 19 5	6 2 3	5 7 3	0 11 4	0 19 5	0 5 0	36 4 8

GENERAL SUMMARY.

LENDING AND REFERENCE DEPARTMENTS.

Volumes presented	374
Volumes purchased	832
Volumes in stock...	8074
Total number of issues	94885
Total issue since July, 1905	454603
Average daily issues	355
Number of borrowers on the register	2620
Overdue Books written for...	1225

GENERAL DATA.

Population, 1911	42200
Rateable value	£182288
Income of Library from 1d. Rate...	£691
Public Libraries Acts adopted	1904
News Room (Vestry Hall) Opened by Mr. Coun. E. Potts.	May 10th, 1905
Lending Library (Vestry Hall) Opened ...	July 31st, 1905
Laying of Foundation Stone of Carnegie Public Library by the Mayor (Mr. Alderman Schofield, J.P.)	Sept. 29th, 1906
Adoption of Open Access decided upon ...	March 18th, 1907
Carnegie Public Library Opened by Edward Potts, Esq., J.P ...	October 19th, 1907
First Lecture given	October, 1908
Delivery Branches opened at Peel Green and Winton.	November 2nd, 1908

THE FOLLOWING NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS CAN BE SEEN IN THE READING ROOM.

DAILY.

Daily Dispatch
„ Graphic
Liverpool Post
London Daily Chronicle
„ „ News
„ „ Telegraph (2 copies)
London Daily Times
Manchester Courier
„ Guardian (2 copies)
„ Evening Chronicle (3 copies)
„ „ News (3 copies)
Yorkshire Post

WEEKLY.

*Alliance News
Aspirant
*Autocar
*Blackpool Gazette
* „ Herald
* „ Times
*Bournemouth Visitors' Directory
Boy's Own Paper
*British Architect
*British Journal of Photography
Building News
*Canadian Mail
*Catholic Herald
*Christian
*Christian Science Sentinel
Chums
*Civil Service Gazette
* „ „ Hints
*Clarion
*Clark's Weekly
*Colliery Guardian
*Common Cause
*Contractors' Record
*Co-operative News
Cotton Factory Times
Eccles Journal (2 copies)
„ Telegraph
*Education
Electrical Engineering
Electrical Review
Engineer
*English Churchman
English Mechanic
Exchange and Mart
Farm, Field and Fireside
Gardening
Gentlewoman
Graphic
Great Thoughts
Illustrated London News
*India
*Investors' Summary
*Irish Cyclist
*Justice
Labour Leader
„ News
Lady's Pictorial
Ladies Field
*Local Government Chronicle
* „ „ Journal
*L.G.O.
Madame
Manchester City News
*Model Engineer
*Motor Car Journal
* „ News
*Patents Illustrated Official Journal

WEEKLY—*continued.*

Pendleton Reporter
*Photography and Focus
*Practical Engineer
Punch
Queen
*School Guardian
Sketch
Sphere
T.P's Weekly
*Textile Mercury
*The Vote
Tit-Bits
*Two Worlds
*Votes for Women
Work.

MONTHLY.

*Agricultural Economist
*Animals' Friend
*Arbitrator
Band of Hope Review
*Beacon Light
*British Columbia Magazine
British Workman
Captain
Cassell's Magazine
*Catholic Federationist
*Child's Companion
* „ Guardian
Children's Friend
*Church Missionary Gleaner
*Common Cause
*Concord
*Conservative and Unionist
*Decorator
English Illustrated Magazine
*Free Trader
Girl's Own Paper
*Gt. Western Railway Magazine
*Harvest
*Herald of Health
*Herald of the Cross
*Incorporated Accountants' Journal
*Insurance Agent's Journal
Lady's World
*Liberal Monthly
*Literary Guide
London Magazine
*Monthly Notes on Tariff Reform
*Musical Herald
Musical Times
*Nation in Arms
*National Church
Our Own Magazine
Pall Mall Magazine
*Patents
*Peacemaker
Pearson's Magazine
*Port of Manchester Official Sailing List
*Positivist Review
Quiver
*Returns of the Deaths of Seamen
Royal Magazine
Scholar's Own Magazine
Strand Magazine
*Textile Recorder
*Travellers' Gazette
*Vegetarian Messenger
Wide World Magazine
Windsor Magazine
Woman at Home
*Zoophilist.

QUARTERLY.

*Art Needlework
The Lord's Day

IN THE REFERENCE ROOM.

DIRECTORIES.

*Advertisers' A.B.C.
*Crockford's Clerical
Gore's Liverpool
Kelly's Cheshire
„ Lancashire
„ Post Office, London
„ Stationers, Printers, etc.
*Macdonald's English Directory
Medical Directory
Medical Register
*Paton's List of Schools
Post Office Guide
*Practical Advertising
Slater's Manchester, Salford and suburban

RAILWAY TIME TABLES.

A.B.C. Railway Guide
Bradshaw 6d.
Caledonian
Cambrian
Cheshire Lines
Dublin and South Eastern
Glasgow and South Western
Great Central
Great Northern
Great Western
Lancashire and Yorkshire
London, Brighton and South Coast
London and North Western
Midland
Port of Manchester Official Sailing List
S.E. and Chatham Railway

PERIODICALS.

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WEEKLY.

Athenaeum
Nation
Spectator
Truth

MONTHLY.

Bookman
Chamber's Journal
Contemporary Review
Knowledge
Literary World
Nineteenth Century
Review of Reviews
*Socialist Review.

QUARTERLY.

National Temperance Quarterly.

* Presented.

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